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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed documents, including any copending patent applications, are attached.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

A concise explanation of many of the listed documents is contained in the specification. For example, concise explanations of the documents identified in the IDS as 11-180977, 11-292950 and 11-352302 are contained on page 1 of the specification.

Concise explanations of the documents identified in the IDS as 90-71580, 9-110979, 9-255781, 30-81320, 11-140070, 11-183702, 11-189592, 11-180977 and WO89/10575 are contained on pages 8-9 of the specification. English abstracts of the non-English documents are enclosed. English language translations are provided for documents identified as JP11-352,302 and JP2000-256435.

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11-140070	05/25/99	Japan			(abstract - yes)
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11-183702	07/09/99	Japan			(abstract - yes)
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